American Girls Keeping The Home Fires Burning Deserve Our Heroes Most

The Love That "Sent Them Away With a Smile" Over Here Must Not Be Forgotten When They Are Met With a Smile "Over There"-"Nor Must They Forget Our Sacrifices," Consensus of Opinion Voiced in More Letters From American Sweethearts.

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Copyright, 1918, by The Press Publishing Co. (The New York Evening World.) ORE mothers and sweethearts of American boys in France are regis tering indignation, jealousy and profound sadness over the pros pect of wholesale matrimony between their boys and French girls

as an aftermath of war.

"You needn't think such a suggestion doesn't make me jealous, for it does," one young woman emphatically assures The Evening World. "I have a sweptheart over there!" Another writer is sure that if the Franco-American marriage propaganda gains headway it will affect seriously the morale of feminine patriots in this "We girls at home don't want to marry the ones

"MISS A. C. P."

Personally, I think that Lieut. Benz

speaks from inadequate data when he

true that there are certain social

"Dear Madam: The American girl's

and strictly enjoined to refrain from

Does she sit on the beach at Copey

"It seems that our Governmen

who greet them with smiles and send

"I cannot admire the spirit of the

romen of our allies, who thus shame-

lessly set themselves to rob the girls

who are giving up their men to fight

for them. We thought we were

nerely lending them our men to help

eem to think we have no rights in

spect. And our poor little American

orce a brave smile while contem-

dating the 'beautiful romance' of the

rench woman with the American

But cheer up, girls! I do not be-

eve that any American with the

ight sort of girl at home is going forget her for the sake of a girl

hose land and language are equally

reign to him. And here is a reas-

uring tribute to the American girl

rom one of the first of our boys sent

"As for France, the people are nice,

verseas. He writes:

France."

"MRS. G. M."

man that should have been hers.

who stayed behind," insists a third correspondent with a sweetheart in France. "We want our loved heroes back, and if the French girls are to take them away and keep them over there after this war is over, where do we come in? Aren't the American girls worth while at all? I challenge any one to say we aren't!"

The point of view of "a 100 per cent. American girl" is forcibly expressed what the Lieutenant seems to fear. in the following latter received by The Evening World:

"Dear Madam: The article by Lieut Bens in Wednesday evening's repreaches the American girl with paper was a revelation indeed! What about the eacrifices which the Amer- engagement is announced. Yet it is lean woman has so gladly and willingly made? What of the knitting, handleaps on all-American war rethe sewing, the Liberty bonds, the mances, as the following writer War Savings Stamps? We have done points out: all this for our loved ones because they are our loved ones; surely not to Government forbids her marriage to send them across and maintain them an American soldier while she is servabroad to marry and remain there. ing in any sort of war work abroad. What an incentive to keep the home She is garbed in a hideous uniform.

The may appear very remantic to be approached by strange women and hugged and caressed, as Lieut. Benz writes, but in America a harsher name than love would be applied to such actions. The 'advanced' girl so distasteful to the Lieutenant would distasteful to the Lieutenant would claws of a stern policewoman, and do anything on earth for her soldier claws of a stern policewoman, and boy. She cheers him on his way and diagraced for life. If she would keep boy. She cheers him on his way and out of a 'Home for Girls' or a similar is willing to take his place in the industrial world, and capable of doing and repress all natural instincts

"Judging by my own feelings and Island with her soldier sweetheart's the views of my intimate friends, I arm about her waist, she incurs the know that to the modern girl, cooks risk of being run off, or 'run in. and maids are not essential in the Every time she picks up a newspaper lat described by the Lieutenant. Love she is warned against marrying the is all sufficient. If he would endeavor to meet the typical American girl, he much she loves him or how fine he would have cause to change his may be-because, forsooth, he might opinion. He is exceptionally unfortu- be wounded and come back a cripple. ate in having met in America ad- or be killed! venturesses similar to those he praises so profusely as representing and our older people are in a conthe type of woman encountered by spiracy against the young girlbood of our boys 'over there.' Whispering America. Our girls are 'shooed' 'Je vous aime' to men whom she has away from our brave boys, told to never seen before is not in accord 'send them away with a smile' to the with the fine, true, noble, independent arms of the French and English girls, apirit of the American girl.

"We cannot believe that the real them away with oceans of loving women of France conduct themselves words and tears. in the manner outlined by the Lieutenant. We do not thank him for his advice, refuse to acept it, and prefer to continue as we have in the past, trusting that too many of our beloved boys do not freeze to death, which is

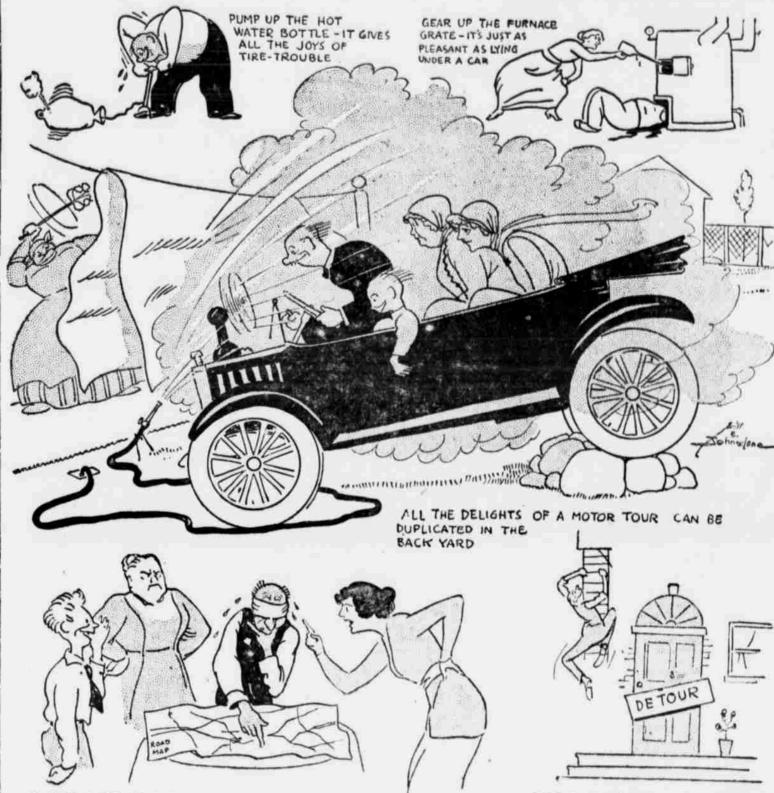
Woman Crochets Flag Ten Feet Long.



PRODUCT of skilled handlwork which arouses special interest to these days is an American ag, ten feet long, which was croseted by one woman, who devoted se spare time to the tank for three onths. Eurbifold yarn was used. raped upon the wall or over a door ay, the soft, beavy felds into which ie emblem fulla produce a verpantiful effect. The five-pointed ars stand out with unusual promiance because get in open squares ith only their tips attached to the surrounding fabric, as the accompanying picture, reprinted from Pop dar Mechanics, illustrates.

Do Your Sunday Motoring at Home

YOU CAN ENJOY ALL THE INCONVENIENCES OF YOUR TO-MORROW'S OUTING WITHOUT YOUR AUTOMOBILE IF YOU FOLLOW THESE PICTURED SUGGESTIONS BY JOHNSTONE



WHEN HE MISSES (AS USUAL) LET THE WHOLE FAMILY BAWL HIM OUT (AS USUAL)

AND OUT AND ENJOY ALL THE INCONVENIENCES OF MOTOR TRAVEL

Fighting Spirit of Our Soldiers Unquenchable Even Our Wounded in France Retain Their Zest for Combat With the Boche

and Proudly Exhibit Souvenirs With the Slogan, "We're Going Back for More!"

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PARIS, Aug. 18. REGRET that the Prussian War the matter that they are bound to re. scene I saw this morning. He would many articles of their equipment. see at a moment's glance that he is And, take it from me, those Germans

zirls, conspired against abroad and now face to face with an unconquerable spirit; a spirit deadly in its it home, will have to pay the sad est of the world's shortage of men by living lonely and loveless lives and

when they discussed.

clothing half burned or shot away, they are frequently on the menu sick soldier. with injuries which may render them cards in Paris. ut why American tourists have left cripples for life, the boys enthusiheir money here is a mystery, astically declared that the success ting together very chum-like in this it, are not returned to the battle-France is old-fashioned-no improve- they helped to wage during the preents, comforts or even necessities, vious three days' drive was well a rule; no progress, and, to be worth the cost.

personal, I honestly would not change | Most of the boys carried some litme of our smart New York ladies, the souvenir of that last hour's strugoung ladies especially, for all the gie at the front. And where little idies in France. Our American girl groups of five or six boys were colchews how to dress better, she is lected they passed them around for calthier, holier and much more in- inspection.

woman, or Frenchman for that mat- funny looking German timepiece, as and white striped. er, and that is one reason I voted for a rolle of the fray, while a youth "It's a Gorman decoration" he ex- preferred a Boone knapsack, with the

an girls, "now isn't that enough to matchhox that we have in the States, of diagnet swept over me. I couldn't you would find one or two little pieces nuse any American girl happy and but the top of it was of metal, and bring myself to touch the thing, not of black bread, but that was all."

have those words on everything. You defend their life and liberty, but they Lord and his group of chief ban-seem to think we have no rights in diss could not have witnessed the letters on their belts, their guns and

> arry some junk with them." "I should say they did!" exclaimed meaning to his limitless ambitions. | another boy as he reached for a Red For pure, unadulterated nerve- I Cross gingham bag which held all never saw, nor have I ever heard of his immediate personal properties. anything to equal that which was dis- Carefully he opened the bag and drew played by the American boys this out a clumsy folding pocketknife. It morning at a big American Hospital. was of handsomely carved dark col-

Down the long hospital corridors, ored wood. The boy began to open on the lawn, in all the available space | II. There was a vicins looking prong outside the wards, rested army cots shaped piece of steel, a narrow steel bright, smiling face, shining with a bearing their burdens of wounded. binde and half a dozen other attachearing their burdens of wounded.

Only a few hours before, many of ments, making in all a sufficient numthese boys were in the midst of the ber of tools to accomplish any task. carnage and the big success, that from that of putting up a building tobrought a bright light to their eyes the smaller and perhaps equally important task of opening a box of ear-With bandaged arms and feet, with dines. I mention sardines because slightly wounded to the desperately

> Two young soldiers I observed ait. he said, in good humor.

the boy with the injured fast drew on retrea-

Woman Suffrage right here in from the Middle West generously of plained. "Got the Bothe yesterday, little can of coffee it contained. "And fored matches to the men with who wore this. "You can have it," he the ran of coffee was about all they In the words of "Mrs. A. W. N.," cigars, from a matchbox distinctly said, offering it to me with a quizzi- seemed to carry in the way of provi-

feel sure of her aweetheart's return?" in has relief was the German letter- because it was soiled with the nat-

ng in good sized type, "Gott mit ural grime of the battlefield, but be the dust-covered faces, the bandaged cause less than forty-eight hours be- arms and legs, the torn and burned "Oh, that's nothing," explained its fore it had lain close to the heart of clothing, the boys, sitting about on present owner. "The Boche soldiers a human being, mad with murderous this beautiful Sunday morning, one stent upon an innocent people. might have pictured at a country "Take it," he urged. "Keep it as a pionic, as the white-robed hospital at-

suvenir of our success out there," he tendents passed around the tin lunch-

said. Glancing toward his companion. who agreed to everything he said: We'll be going back there very soon won't we, Bert?"

"You bet we will," school Bert "And we'll get plenty more of these uscorations, won't we?" "Yep," said Bert. "We'll get more

next time I didn't healtate any longer. I took the Bochs decoration. I glanced at the boy's bandaged foot, and his

And this is the sort of spirit I ofserved in this small part of the Amercan Army in France, from the

youngest to the oldest man, from the to "finish the job," as they express

gathering of returned men. "We're trail, and got no further opportunity from the same State, and we are to help drive the Boche out of stolen going to stick together," explained the territory and leave the world in peace, younger one. He had his foot band- it will be no fault of theirs. They aged and the elder one his head, expressed themselves in no delicate "My jaw bone is cracked, that's all," forms over the hard luck that had be-he said, in good humor. failen them before they could play a Out of a little leather eard case, greater part in pursuing the enemy officent than the average French A boy from Kentucky exhibited a a piece of fooled ribbon, green, black Some of the boys who returned

small information houses near the hospitals at each big centonment. These one-story hospitals cover a large amount of ground and inter-connecting buildings are very confus-

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1918

Red Cross News of the Week

Sixteen Women Drive Ambulances Over the Road From

Detroit to New York-Brooklyn Chapter Motor Corps

Is Being Rapidly Recruited-Red Cross Is Building Information Houses at Base Hospitals in This Country

for Direction of Relatives Visiting Wounded and Sick

-Work Is Speeding Up All Along the Line and All

Departments Report Great Work Being Accomplished.

HE Brooklyn Chapter Motor Corps is being rapidly recruited, with

There are two divisions of Motor Corps Service, the first known as

the Ambulance and Truck Service, the second, Transportation Service. To

qualify for the first division, courses in mechanics and first aid are re-

quired, also examination in driving. To qualify for the second division,

applicants must have a knowledge of simple mechanics and traffic regulations and pass an examination to determine ability to drive. Drivers in

Transportation Service will be required to provide their own cars and

R ENSSELAER County Chapter is setting an example to other Red

Cross chapters for efficient workroom methods. Here are the July

One thousand eight hundred and twenty-six hospital garments were

made and 2,731 were shipped. In the knitted goods department 400 garments were sent to New York, 1,880 completed garments were received

by the department, and 1.198 were given out locally. The Home Service

Department cared for 29 dependent families and helped an average of 31

families each week. The total weekly expenditure for that department

headquarters at No. 164 Remsen Street, under the direction of

By Hazel V. Carter

Mrs. Frank G. Hall.

was \$159.25.

equipment and stand the cost of maintenance,

valescent soldiers and sailors at

the big base hospitals in this country,

which Pershing's veterans gave to the New York County Chapter the other evening. ing to a stranger trying to locate a special ward. As soon as these information houses are built, all visitors will be directed to them. Without bothering the hospital office they can atop a line of motor buses, they

find where the relative is located, and the Red Cross people will supply guides to take them directly to the THE Cutting Department of the Atlantic Division of the Red Cross celebrated its first birthday recently. This department came into existence Aug. 13, 1917. with a force of four persons, one cutter, one anew from the through all long the anew from the through all long the anew from the through all long the force of four persons, one cutter, one anew from the throngs all along the assembler, one packer and the direc-

tor of the work. To-day the department occupies two floors of a building at No. 5 Union Square, New York, and employs seventy floo persons. Where one year ago 7,000 yards of material were used per week in cutting garments, new more than 110 600. Ins. to. ting garments, now more than 110,000 ing to word received yesterday by the AUGUST BELMONT has V been chosen assistant to the War Council. She will serve from the United States will be placed without pay for the period of the war. in the field for which she is most fitted.

hands and never saw a the small but perfectly equipped hosthe brunt of the Redge was task of providing hospital garment and others was requisites for our soldiers over there."

HELP:
The Academy Workroom in Brooklyn, known as one of the the brunt of the Redge on task of

"Do you realise that we are turning out a thousand garments a day right to the greater demands at present, the now" said Miss Day. "Stop to think that a year or so ago we couldn't have turned out ONE garment a day this month. with the same women at work that wo

"We have filled every requirement f the hoys over there. All orders from sport women sewers and knitters-

To Miss Day falls the task of seeing that everything runs smoothly in all evening World Every Saturday.

OR the convenience and comfort York County Chapter. And she does.

of relatives visiting sick or conBut it's quite some job.

the big base hospitals in this country, the American Red Cross will build tribute could be paid to the American Red Cross than that

Riding up crowded Fifth Avenue were acclaimed by throngs. Everywhere there were cheers, waving flags and evidence of the honor due these

MERICAN and Italian forces will be nursed at a new Red Cross centre at Mflan, Italy, accord-Bureau of Nursing of the Atlantic Division. The centre will serve as a place of mobilization for all American UNDREDS of women who regulars at the Italian front, it was never held a needle in their found necessary to establish a molern hands and necessary to establish a molern to spiral in Genoa to take the place of

day by Miss Alice Day, head of the logist Red Cross centres in New York, is sending out a call for more helpora. In spite of the fact that many of the workers were away during the sum-mer, the output was maintained. Owing

C REENWICH VILLAGERS are beginning the fall season with new energy at the Red Cross. the lower metit are taken care of almost instantly. We are far in the ead on surgical dressings. We have ead on surgical dressings. We have

Women Who Drove Ambulances From Detroit to New York



Sixteen women Motor Corps driv- | rived in column formation down Cross Motor Corps. The unit was ers of the Atlantic Division of the Riverside Drive and through Cen- commanded by Dr. Smylie of the sions," explained one young chap American Red Cross, with their trai Park to a garage in East 64th Atlantic Division and Capt. Marie the sends me this honest compilment "made in Germany."

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Louise Spaulding of the Buffalo Recommender, arrived here this week Street, where the ambulances will Cross Motor Corps. Twelve of the Cross Motor Corps. in sixteen ambulances which they be stored. Later they will be de- women drivers are from Bulfalo and

